



128th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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An Act To Ensure Equity in the Funding of Maine's Transportation Infrastructure by Imposing an Annual Fee on Hybrid and Electric Vehicles

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Statement for Original Bill

Sponsor: Rep. Parry of Arundel

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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Potential State Mandate - Unfunded

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	Projections FY 2019-20	Projections FY 2020-21
Net Cost (Savings)				
Highway Fund	\$0	\$54,790	(\$2,950,000)	(\$2,950,000)
Appropriations/Allocations				
Highway Fund	\$0	\$54,790	\$0	\$0
Revenue				
Highway Fund	\$0	\$0	\$2,950,000	\$2,950,000

State Mandates

Required Activity	Unit Affected	Local Cost
Assess and process surcharges on hybrid and battery-electric motor vehicles.	Municipality	Moderate statewide

The required local activities in this bill may represent a state mandate pursuant to the Constitution of Maine. If the bill does require a local unit of government to expand or modify its activities so as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenue, the state mandate provisions of the Constitution of Maine require either: (1) General Fund appropriations be provided to fund at least 90% of any additional necessitated local costs of the mandate; or (2) a Mandate Preamble be added to the bill and two-thirds of the members of each House vote to exempt the mandate from the funding requirement. If the bill does represent a state mandate and neither one of these actions occurs, the local units of government will not be required to implement the mandated activities.

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill establishes surcharges on hybrid and battery-electric motor vehicles. The Department of Secretary of State would require a one-time Highway Fund allocation of \$54,790 in fiscal year 2018-19 for computer programming costs and modifications to vendor systems to implement the surcharges. These changes are expected to take one year or more to complete, therefore revenue will not be recognized until fiscal year 2019-20. Highway Fund revenues would increase by \$2,950,000 beginning in fiscal year 2019-20 based on 19,000 hybrid motor vehicles at \$150 and 400 battery-electric motor vehicles at \$250.